

Good News From Chardon

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God's Solid Foundation Stands

Among the last words written by the beloved Apostle Paul are found in 2 Timothy 2.19: "Nevertheless, God's solid foundation stands firm, sealed with this inscription: 'The Lord knows those who are his,' and 'Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord must turn away from wickedness.'"

Our world is unstable. The economy is always in a state of flux. Our national confidence could crumble at any time. Job security is a thing of the past. Health? Morality? Friendships? Even our family relations are at risk.

But regardless of what is happening in the world around us, one thing has always remained constant ... and it always will: "God's solid foundation stands firm!"

The context of Paul's statement to Timothy is reassuring even for us 2000 years later. The point here is not to establish the trustworthiness of God. That is firmly established in other Scriptures (Heb. 13.6,8; Isa. 41.10; Prov. 30.5; 1 Thess. 5.24; Deut. 7.9, 32.4; Psalm 111.7). The point is that because God is so solid and sure, we can trust that what God began cannot be destroyed no matter what happens in the world around us, or even among ourselves in the church! Jesus built the church, and not even Satan can destroy it (Matt. 16.18)! Godless chatter and false teachings can spread like gangrene, causing some to wander away from the truth (2 Tim. 2.16-18). Nevertheless, God's solid foundation stands firm! That's why each of us needs to do our very best to be approved by God by handling accurately His word of truth (2 Tim. 2.15). God and His truth will never change, but we certainly may.

Wrong ideas about God, His truth, and His church are circulating all around us. They always have. They always will. That's why it is so important to consistently trust the source of truth instead of what others say about it. "The Lord knows those who are his" (2 Tim. 2.19). People are confused about who are Christians and who aren't, but God is not! If we study accurately what God says about how to be saved, we don't have to be confused either. The same principle is true about the church Jesus built, about how to live as God's people, about how to worship, about marriage and family, about ethics ... about everything pertaining to life and godliness: "His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence" (2 Peter 1.3 emphasis mine). That was written in the 1st century, and is just as true in the 21st century as it was the day it was written. God has made sure we have all we need to become His children and to live like His children. Where there are doubts, God and His words are a solid, unchanging foundation to discover and on which to rely. People with slick tongues and great sounding arguments will try to lure you away from God and His truth (2 Tim. 4.1-4). Don't fall for it. Examine things yourself by examining truth (2 Cor. 13.5).

The Lord knows who belongs to Him. He knows who we are, where we are and what we need. Why trust anyone or anything other than Him and His truth?

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
13—Wonderful Words Of Life
Opening Prayer: Tom
Hymn:
261--Love Lifted Me
Scripture Reading: Robert
2 Timothy 2:14-19
Hymn:
28—My Jesus, I Love Thee
Lord's Supper: Doug
Hymn:
358—When The Saved Get To Heaven
Sermon: Mark
Invitation Hymn:
613—Are You Washed In The Blood?
Closing Hymn:
114—I Want To Be A Worker For The Lord
Closing Prayer: Ryan

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 21-25

Gospel Meeting

Chardon Church of Christ

Speaker: Mark Lance from Louisiana

CALENDAR

Mar. 5—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark. Business meeting
Mar. 5—Racism is Ridiculous 2—Ravenna
Church of Christ
Mar. 8—(b) Dale
Mar. 12—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Mar. 12-17— Gospel Meeting Dayton Church
of Christ
Mar. 15—(b) Jackson
Mar. 17—(b) Christopher
Mar. 17—(b) Dorene
Mar. 19—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark

SUNDAY: Bible Study—10:00 am, Worship—11:00 am

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Depart From Iniquity

2 Timothy 2:14-19

WORD LIST

APPROVED	ASHAMED	CANCER
CHARGING	DILIGENT	DIVIDING
FAITH	HEARERS	INCREASE
LORD	MESSAGE	NAME
PAST	PRESENT	PROFANE
PROFIT	REMINDE	RIGHTLY
RUIN	SEAL	SOLID
SPREAD	STANDS	STRAYED
STRIVE	THINGS	TRUTHSHUN
WORDS	WORKER	YOURSELF

D A E R P S E P R Y P D D M T
S T R A Y E D N L E N A E D S
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PRAYER LIST

- **Mynda's** sister-in-laws Father's health. Her friend **Kim's** health options
- **Mark** and **Debbie** as they travel
- **Ackerman** family, **Debra's** health
- **Ruth** is home now & attending services
- **Roberta**, doing Bible study with Tom, stroke recovery
- **Bonnie's** daughters: **Renee's** hand surgery recovery & grandson **Devin** study
- **Wanda's** migraines; son **Allen**, sisters **Lorraine & Joyce**
- **Mary** and her family. **Carl's** gout and hip recovery, **Kathy**, severe feet issues, medical procedure and pain, her sister and friends. She is home
- **Linda's** health and procedures. Her friend **Mark**.
- **Zarna** and her family
- **Juanita**, her sister **Betty** and the rest of her family.
- **Ray** and **Barbara** and their family.
- **Dale's** health issues, headaches and his family. His **Mother's** medical treatments. His friend **Riley** (age 6) with cancer. Brother in Christ **Darrell's** surgery. His **Aunt Rosie's** heart and lungs. Cousin with heart issues
- **Ray** and his family. **Rebecca's** right knee injuries
- **Pat** and her family
- **Jessie**, Doug's friend, health

2 Timothy 2:14-19

14 Remind *them* of these things, charging *them* before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers. 15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 16 But shun profane *and* idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. 17 And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort, 18 who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some. 19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

Romans 8:38-39

38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,
39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.